

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-10, 14-20, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30, and 31 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter presented therein.

Please amend Claims 11-13 as follows.

1. - 10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) A controller for controlling settings of a plurality of imaging apparatuses, comprising:

detection means for detecting an imaging state of each of said imaging apparatuses;

calculation means for calculating first settings of control parameters for each of said imaging apparatuses based on a detection result from said detection means; and

set-up means for setting up each of said imaging apparatuses to said first settings calculated by said calculation means,

wherein said detection result is second settings properly adjusted to each of said imaging apparatuses, and ~~The controller according to claim 2,~~

wherein said calculation means calculates first settings for an imaging apparatus of interest depending on a difference in second settings between said imaging apparatus of interest and an imaging apparatus adjacent to said imaging apparatus of interest.

12. (Currently Amended) A controller for controlling settings of a plurality of imaging apparatuses, comprising:

detection means for detecting an imaging state of each of said imaging apparatuses;

calculation means for calculating first settings of control parameters for each of said imaging apparatuses based on a detection result from said detection means; and

set-up means for setting up each of said imaging apparatuses to said first settings calculated by said calculation means,

wherein said detection result is obtained from a sensor provided in proximity to each of said imaging apparatuses and said detection result is used as second settings for each of said imaging apparatuses, and ~~The controller according to claim 3;~~

wherein said calculation means calculates first settings for an imaging apparatus of interest depending on a difference in second settings between said imaging apparatus of interest and an imaging apparatus adjacent to said imaging apparatus of interest.

13. (Currently Amended) A controller for controlling settings of a plurality of imaging apparatuses, comprising:

detection means for detecting an imaging state of each of said imaging apparatuses;

calculation means for calculating first settings of control parameters for each of said imaging apparatuses based on a detection result from said detection means; and

set-up means for setting up each of said imaging apparatuses to said first settings calculated by said calculation means,

wherein said detection result is a distribution of brightness calculated from an image taken by an imaging apparatus which is capable of imaging a wider field view and said detection result is used as second settings for each of said imaging apparatuses based on said distribution, and ~~The controller according to claim 4,~~

wherein said calculation means calculates first settings for an imaging apparatus of interest depending on a difference in second settings between said imaging apparatus of interest and an imaging apparatus adjacent to ~~said~~ said imaging apparatus of interest.

14. - 32. (Cancelled)